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645PM URGENT 5/3/68 CAF

TO DIRECTOR, ATLANTA, AND BIRMINGHAM

FROM MEMPHIS (44-1987) 3P

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EVIDENCE INSTANT CASE PREVIOUSLY SUBMITTED BY MEMPHIS RETURNED THIS DATE TO INSPECTOR N. E. ZACHARY, MEMPHIS PD. DIRECTOR OF FIRE AND POLICE FRANK C. HOLLOMAN ON PREVIOUS CONTACT HAD REQUESTED EVIDENCE BE HELD BY MEMPHIS OFFICE UNTIL MEMPHIS PD RECEIVED LETTER FROM LABORATORY. LETTER FROM LABORATORY RECEIVED AFTERNOON OF MAY TWO PAST. INSPECTOR ZACHARY WHEN CONTACTED ON AFTERNOON OF MAY TWO REQUESTED EVIDENCE BE HELD UNTIL MORNING MAY THREE. THE NINE BOXES RECEIVED FROM FBI LAB WERE DELIVERED INTO CUSTODY INSPECTOR ZACHARY THIS MORNING. 44-38861-3015

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INSPECTOR ZACHARY WAS TOLD THERE IS POSSIBILITY REQUEST COULD BE MADE LATER FOR ADDITIONAL EXAMINATIONS IN EVENT ADDITIONAL MATERIAL RECOVERED IN INSTANT CASE. HE STATED ALL EVIDENCE WAS BEING DELIVERED TO OFFICE OF STATE ATTORNEY GENERAL PHIL CANALE AND THAT STATE ATTORNEY GENERAL WOULD ASSUME CUSTODY OF EVIDENCE AND PLACE IT UNDER LOCK AND KEY. ZACHARY SAID AT THIS TIME IT

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WAS INTENTION OF STATE ATTORNEY GENERAL TO PRESENT MATERIAL AND EVIDENCE TO LOCAL GRAND JURY ON MAY SEVEN NEXT. ZACHARY SAID THAT PLANS CALL FOR A FIRST DEGREE MURDER WARRANT FOR SUBJECT INSTANT CASE.

INSPECTOR ZACHARY SAID POSSIBILITY EXISTS THAT STATE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE MIGHT WANT A REPRESENTATIVE OF FBI TO TESTIFY IN CONNECTION WITH CERTAIN OF EVIDENCE BECAUSE OF EXTENSIVE INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED BY FBI IN THIS CASE. SHORTLY BEFORE FIVE PM THIS DATE, INSPECTOR ZACHARY STATED ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE HAD ASKED HIM TO DETERMINE IF FBI REPRESENTATIVE COULD BE AVAILABLE FOR TESTIMONY BEFORE GRAND JURY. ZACHARY STATED ATTORNEY GENERAL FELT IT WOULD ADD TO CASE IF FBI REPRESENTATIVE PRESENT TO TESTIFY AS TO SALE OF WEAPON IN BIRMINGHAM AND FACT THAT WEAPON IN QUESTION IS IDENTICAL WITH WEAPON RECOVERED IN MEMPHIS. BUREAU REQUESTED TO ADVISE WHETHER OR NOT SAC SHOULD APPEAR IN CONNECTION WITH THIS REQUEST. INSPECTOR ZACHARY STATED HE WAS OF OPINION IT WAS NOT NECESSARY TO HAVE PERSONNEL FROM FBI, BIRMINGHAM TESTIFY RE THIS MATTER.

INQUIRTY AT NASHVILLE, TENN., CONDUCTED ON MAY TWO

DISCLOSED THAT G. D. GERLT DID STAY GRIDER'S MOTEL IN NASHVILLE ON MARCH TEN PAST. GERLT AT THAT TIME LISTED OCCUPATION AS EMPLOYEE [redacted]. MANAGER OF MOTEL ADVISED SHE RECALLED GERLT AND HAVEING DISCUSSSION WITH HIM RE TRAVEL TO A NURSERY IN MC MINNVILLE, TENN. THIS APPEARS TO CONFIRM DATA PREVIOUSLY FURNISHED BY GERLT.

EFFORTS TO LOCATE [redacted] AND SISTER [redacted] IN ACCORDANCE WITH KANSAS CITY TEL MAY TWO PAST, DISCLOSED ADDRESS GIVEN IS IN UNDEVELOPED FIELD IN MEMPHIS AREA. [redacted] UNKNOWN AT ADDRESSES FURNISHED BY KANSAS CITY IN ITS TELETYPE. KANSAS CITY HAS BEEN REQUESTED TO DEVELOP ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND MEMPHIS WILL MAKE FURTHER EFFORTS TO LOCATE PEOPLE OF INTEREST.

INVESTIGATION CONTINUING MEMPHIS DIVISION. VARIOUS LOOKALIKES ELIMINATED THIS DATE.

A & D. P.

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